उद्योग मंत्री (श्री जे० वेंगलराव): (क) से (घ) डीएमटी और पीटीए विनिर्माताओं ने अगस्त, 1988 से फरवरी, 1989 के बीच अपने बिक्री मूल्यों में काफी वृद्धि कर दी। जिसके परिणामस्वरूप पालिएस्टर स्टेपल फाइबर, पालिएस्टर फिलामेंट यार्न आदि की उत्पादन लागत में वृद्धि हुई।

दिनांक 1 मार्च, 1989 से पैराजाइलीन पर आयात शुल्क में कमी की गई है जिसके परिणामस्वरूप डीएमटी और पीटीए विनिर्माताओं ने कुल मिला कर अपने बिक्री मूल्यों में तदनुरूपी कमी कर दी है।

इस समय डीएमटी की मामूली सी कमी है जिसकी पूर्ति आयात द्वारा की जाती है।

Post Offices in Orissa and West Bengal

2894. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Post Offices, Sub-post Offices and head Post Offices functioning at present in Orissa and West Bengal;

(b) the number of new Post Offices, sub-post offices and head Post Offices proposed to be opened during the next three years in these States; and

(c) whether Government have received any request from these States for opening new post offices; if so, what are the details thereof and the steps so far taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) The information is as follows:

	HO	SO	EDSO	EDBO	Total
West Bengal	44	1611	343	6210	8208
Orissa	35	1122	196	6180	7543

(HO : Head Post Office,
SO : Sub-Post Office
EDBO : Extra-Departmental Branch Post Office,
EDSO : Extra-Departmental Sub Post Office)

(b) Information in respect of 1988-89 is as follows:

	DSOs	EDBOs
West Bengal	4	128
Orissa	2	173

The programme for 1989-90 has not been finalised. Insofar as head post offiecs are concerned, this category does not come under the Five Year Plan. Proposals based on prescribed standards are considered as and when received.

(c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.